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PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE THIRTY-FIFTH SESSION

to be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva,
starting at 10.30 a.m. on Monday, 4 August 1986

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Election of officers
3. Tests and criteria for the divisions of class 4 and Division 5.1
4. Intermediate Bulk Containers (IBCs)
5. Environmentally Hazardous Substances
6. Miscellaneous amendments to chapter 9
7. Chapter 6, miscellaneous amendments particularly concerning packaging
8. Chapter 12, Multimodal Tank Transport
9. Listing and classification
10. Report of the working group on test methods for organic peroxides
11. Other business
12. Adoption of the report.

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EXPLANATORY NOTES TO THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA

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The Group of Rapporteurs at its thirty-fourth session decided that every effort should be made to complete the "manual" for organic peroxides in time for approval by the Committee and therefore another working group should be held concurrently with the Group of Rapporteurs, starting also at 10.30 a.m. on Monday, 4 August.

1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

In accordance with the rules of procedure of the Economic and Social Council, the first item on the provisional agenda is its adoption.

2. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

In accordance with the rules of procedure of the Economic and Social Council, the Group of Rapporteurs will elect a Chairman.

3. TESTS AND CRITERIA FOR THE DIVISIONS OF CLASS 4 AND DIVISION 5.1

The texts for Divisions 4.1 and 4.3 were completed by the Group at its thirty-fourth session. Division 4.2 remains to be decided on the basis of the proposals in documents ST/SG/AC.10/C.2/R.462 (as amended by document ST/SG/AC.10/C.2/R.519), ST/SG/AC.10/C.2/R.509 and ST/SG/AC.10/C.2/R.518, from Japan, the United States of America and the Federal Republic of Germany respectively and on data presented to illustrate the tests in question (see ST/SG/AC.10/C.2/23, paragraph 17). A text for Division 5.1 was agreed (see ST/SG/AC.10/C.2/23, annex 1) but the basic reference material and those for determining Packing Groups remain to be decided on the basis of data obtained by using the test method with suitable reference substances (see ST/SG/AC.10/C.2/23, paragraph 39 and 42).

4. INTERMEDIATE BULK CONTAINERS (IBCs)

A second reading of the sections of chapter 16 for fibreboard and wooden IBCs (see ST/SG/AC.10/C.2/23, annex 2) was proposed. The document ST/SG/AC.10/C.2/R.529 from France remains to be considered.

5. ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES

A second reading of the text adopted was considered necessary together with any proposals for amendments elsewhere in the Recommendations that might be necessary as a consequence of this new entry for environmentally hazardous substances.

6. MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS TO CHAPTER 9

Consideration of three documents was postponed from the thirty-fourth session cocerning this chapter, ST/SG/AC.10/C.2/R.471, -/R.478 and -/R.526 from SERRED, ICAO and the Federal Republic of Germany respectively.

7. CHAPTER 6, MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS PARTICULARLY CONCERNING PACKAGING

A proposal on this subject was promised by the rapporteur from the United Kingdom (see ST/SG/AC.10/C.2/23, paragraph 73). A proposal by the observer from Switzerland concerning the grouping of pesticides and table 6.1 in particular, is reproduced in document ST/SG/AC/10/C.2/R.530.

8. CHAPTER 12, MULTIMODAL TANK TRANSPORT

This subject had been designated for the summer 1986 session by the Group at its thirty-third session (see ST/SG/AC.10/C.2/21, paragraph 149). There are two documents, ST/SG/AC.10/C.2/R.490 and -/R.491, both from the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics for consideration.

9. LISTING AND CLASSIFICATION

Endorsement should be given to the recommendations of the working group on this subject (see ST/SG/AC.10/C.2/23, annex 4). There remain to be considered: three documents from ICAO, ST/SG/AC/10/C.2/R.465/Add.1, -/R.496 and -/R.502; two from the Federal Republic of Germany, ST/SG/AC.10/C.2/R.524 and -/R.528. The proposal in document ST/SG/AC.10/C.2/R.492 from Italy should be supplemented with a completed data sheet. The two proposals on toxic inhalation, ST/SG/AC.10/C.2/R.497 and -/R.517 from the United States of America and Canada respectively should be subject to further consideration in the light of comments on the data presented (see ST/SG/AC.10/C.2/23, paragrah 66).

10. REPORT OF THE WORKING GROUP ON TEST METHODS FOR ORGANIC PEROXIDES

It is hoped that the working group will be able to present its final report so that its recommendations can be endorsed by the Rapporteurs and a completed text presented to the Committee in December 1986.

11. OTHER BUSINESS

Consideration of two proposals from ICAO was postponed from the thirty-fourth session in documents ST/SG/AC.10/C.2/R.493 and -/R.495. Part of document ST/SG/AC.10/C.2/R.512 from IMO remains to be considered, so also do the amendments to chapter 13 from the United Kingdom in document ST/SG/AC.10/C.2/R.523. The subject of gas cylinders had also been postponed at the thirty-third session (see ST/SG/AC.10/C.2/21, paragraph 150), ISO have now completed some proposals and will present a paper.

12. ADOPTION OF THE REPORT

In accordance with the usual practice, the Group of Rapporteurs will adopt the report on its thirty-fifth session on the basis of the draft prepared by the secretariat.